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TOPIC Stendal-Borstel Airfield

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EVALUATION [redacted] PLACE OBTAINED [redacted] 25X1

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REFERENCES

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- On 9 August 1950 36 single-engine low-wing monoplanes with in-line engines were parked in front of the hangars at the Stendal-Borstel (E 53/Y 75) airfield. Description of planes: Leading edges of wings lateral to the rear, trailing edges straight, considerably rounded wing tips, landing gear retracting outward, mid-cockpit in line with trailing edges of wings, an antenna rod forward of cockpit, a machine gun, about 50 cm long, protruding beyond rear section of cockpit; upper section of planes painted green, lower section light gray. * Flights were made between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The planes took off at intervals of five minutes, made local flights of seven or eight minutes duration, then landed at the field individually. About every second plane retracted the landing gear while flying.
- According to a worker at the field the total occupation was 48 planes of the type described and four single-engine biplanes. In late July 1950 about 150 recruits allegedly arrived and were given flight training. ** Flights were allegedly made for several hours on all days when the weather was good.
- No construction work was being done on the field or buildings. ***

- 25X1 * [redacted] Comment. The aircraft are IL-10 ground attack planes. This confirms the previous assumption that a ground attack regiment is stationed at the field. The report does not indicate whether the air reconnaissance regiment, formerly stationed in Koethen, is still in Stendal.
- 25X1 ** [redacted] Comment. The arrival of new personnel has not been observed by other sources.
- 25X1 *** [redacted] Comment. Construction work has not been observed by other sources either.

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